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NOFORNCOUNTRY East Germany REPORT 25X1TOPIC Gross Doelln Airfield 25X1EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED 25X1DATE OF CONTENT 25X1DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 14 September 1955

REFERENCES _____

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REMARKS _____

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1. On 27 July 1955, surveying technicians were employed at Gross Doelln airfield. It is believed that these technicians were doing surveying on the taxiway for planned widening. It was learned that the taxiway was scheduled to be widened 1 meter on both sides. Later on it was heard that the widening of the taxiway had not been approved.
2. The total power supply system of Gross Doelln airfield was newly organized. The overhead line leading from Grossvaster to the airfield was dismantled because this line was insufficient. A new fully automatic transformer house was erected near the old transformer station. The transformer house was 4 meters high and measured 9 x 7 meters. It consisted of two rooms and three doors. This building was nearly completed. ¹ An underground cable ran from Grossvaster transformer station to the new transformer station. In addition to this new construction, it was planned to construct a ring or a common main. Transformer stations east and west of the most eastern connecting lane between runway and taxiway were still under construction.
3. A new brick building was under construction at Forest District No. 216 east of the new constructed building at Forest District No. 217. An additional brick building was erected 250 meters north of it. The latter building had two stories and a wooden tower, about 4 meters high, on its roof. ²
4. A [REDACTED] wide, which was cleared of trees and seeded with grass [REDACTED] along both sides of the concrete lane. These strips were widened to [REDACTED]. The forest clearing was now 110 meters wide. The distance between the edges of the woods was also 110 meters at this point, the connecting lane was only 21 meters wide.
5. The heating plant was nearly completed; the concrete ceiling was under construction. A two-story building was under construction east of this plant and the excavation for another new building was located east of this building. It was assumed that these buildings belonged to the second fuel depot construction project. The control station was still under construction. Work on this construction project progressed exceptionally slow.
6. Concreting work was completed on the road leading along the borders of Forest Districts Nos. 126, 125, 95, 94, 63, 66, and 65. The road was covered with

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concrete slabs which were about 15 cm thick and measured 5 x 5.5 meters. The construction of proposed roads was temporarily abandoned.

7. The construction of the following buildings at Forest Districts Nos. 125 and 126 was completed: a kitchen, 3 permanent barracks, a dispensary, 2 sheds, and 2 cellars. ¹ Eight 2-story wooden buildings were under construction on both sides of the concrete land at Forest Districts Nos. 94 and 95. Five of these buildings, which had brick basements, were completed. All the buildings were of the same type. The front sides of the buildings had 10 windows each on both the first and the second floor. There were also two small stair case windows on the second floor. ³ Several one-family type buildings were erected at Forest Districts Nos. 126, 125, 95 and 94. A carbine ~~was~~ was constructed by Soviet soldiers at Forest District No. 124. This ~~was~~ was located north of the camp of the AA unit.
8. The ammunition depot at Gross Doelln airfield was the major project of Bauunion Brandenburg. Several roads east of the ammunition depot were reinforced with concrete. The concrete slabs were 15 cm thick and measured 5 x 5.5 meters. Most of the fence at the eastern side of the ammunition depot was destroyed. A string of red lamps was erected along the former fence during the night shift. The crossing of this line was strictly forbidden. Sandy soil was shipped to Forest District No. 115 because of the boggy ground. The individual ammunition storage sheds at the depot were numbered 1, 2, and 3. Stacks of round wooden baskets about 150 ~~were~~ were seen near building Nos. 2 and 3. ³ It was learned that the last time ammunition was unloaded from ~~here~~ ~~was~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~early~~ ~~July~~ ~~1955~~. ~~Shed~~ ~~No. 1~~ ~~was~~ ~~used~~ ~~for~~ ~~storing~~ ~~bombs~~ ~~and~~ ~~ammunition~~ ~~which~~ ~~were~~ ~~more~~ ~~than~~ ~~100~~ ~~tons~~ ~~and~~ ~~were~~ ~~stored~~ ~~in~~ ~~shed~~ ~~No. 2~~ ~~and~~ ~~bombs~~ ~~which~~ ~~were~~ ~~more~~ ~~than~~ ~~100~~ ~~tons~~ ~~and~~ ~~were~~ ~~stored~~ ~~in~~ ~~shed~~ ~~No. 3~~. The ammunition storage sheds had ~~no~~ ~~conveying~~ ~~machinery~~ ~~or~~ ~~loading~~ ~~installations~~; thus bomb crates had to be hand carried with the aid of poles to the sheds. It was observed that the rails leading ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~sheds~~ ~~Nos.~~ ~~2~~ ~~and~~ ~~3~~ were unused. The space between the individual ties had been filled with broken concrete and dirt. The rails ended 1.5 meters away from the concrete edge at the spur track. Concreting was nearly completed on the planned roads at the new portion of the ammunition depot. Two ammunition sheds similar to the ones already built were to be constructed at the concrete roads. Space was left free on this concrete road for the laying of rails at a later period. It was planned to construct two motor vehicle sheds with four entrances each. These sheds are expected to cover a floor space of 22 x 10 meters. An area near the northern road was covered by 4 x 3 concrete slabs. Each of these slabs measured 5.5 x 5 meters. The construction of several other small ammunition sheds and buildings was planned for both sides of the middle road. The whole area was surrounded by a double wire fence which was erected at a distance of 40 to 50 meters from the outer buildings. The distance between the two barbed wire fences was 10 meters. At that time the area was cleared of trees. ~~ammunition~~ ~~materials~~ ~~were~~ ~~already~~ ~~made~~ ~~available~~. Construction work was being ~~done~~ ~~but~~ ~~with~~ ~~great~~ ~~speed~~. ⁴
9. Some workers and machines were transferred to Allstedt (Querfurt) and Garz. ~~Construction work at these places had~~ ~~been~~ ~~delayed~~ ~~because~~ ~~of~~ ~~lack~~ ~~of~~ ~~workers~~. ^{25X1}
10. Three workers of Bauunion-Brandenburg were recently arrested. It was said that these 3 workers were agents of a Western intelligence service.
11. On 10 July and 20 July respectively, a total of 680 and 677 workers of VEB Ing. Tiefbau Brandenburg were employed at the Gross Doelln airfield construction project.





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1.  Comment. The present report supplements previous information. For layout sketch of buildings at Forest Districts Nos.125 and 126 and for ground plans of major buildings located there, see Annex 1. 25X1
2.  Comment. For location sketch of runway and buildings north of it, see Annex 2. 25X1
3.  Comment. For sketches of front view and side view of wooden buildings at Forest Districts Nos.94 and 95 and for location sketch of ammunition depot, see Annex 3. 25X1
4.  Comment. For layout sketch of ammunition depot, see Annex 4. 25X1

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- 1 Headquarters building
- 2 Headquarters building
- 3 Headquarters building
- 4 Quarters billets
- 5 Quarters billets
- 6 Three-story quarters billets, 30 x 13 meters
- 7 Three-story building, probably quarters billets
- 8 Three-story building, probably quarters billets
- 9 Cellar with foundations 64 cm thick
- 10 Cellar with foundations 64 cm thick
- 11 Kitchen, about 50 x 30 meters
- 12 Kitchen, about 50 x 30 meters
- 13 Storage shed, 11 x 50 meters, with 4 entrances on each side
- 14 Storage shed, 11 x 50 meters, with 4 entrances on each side
- 15 Transformer station
- 16 New transformer station, 7 x 9 meters, 4 meters high, with concrete ceiling, 1 door, 1 meter wide, and 2 doors each 1.4 meters wide.
- 17 Pumping station
- 18 Steam baths
- 19 Two-story building with slanted roof, housing the dispensary
- 20 Athletic grounds
- 21 Parking lots
- 22 Firing range

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Sketch 1: Wooden building

Sketch 2: Ammunition depot

- I Mixer
- II Stacks of empty baskets
- III Completed concrete road

Section A - B

- a Shed
- b Spur track
- c Transversal rail

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1 to 5	Ammunition dumps
6 and 7	Motor vehicle sheds
8	Loading ramp, 20 x 15 meters
9	Small buildings
10	Dog-kennel
11	unknown

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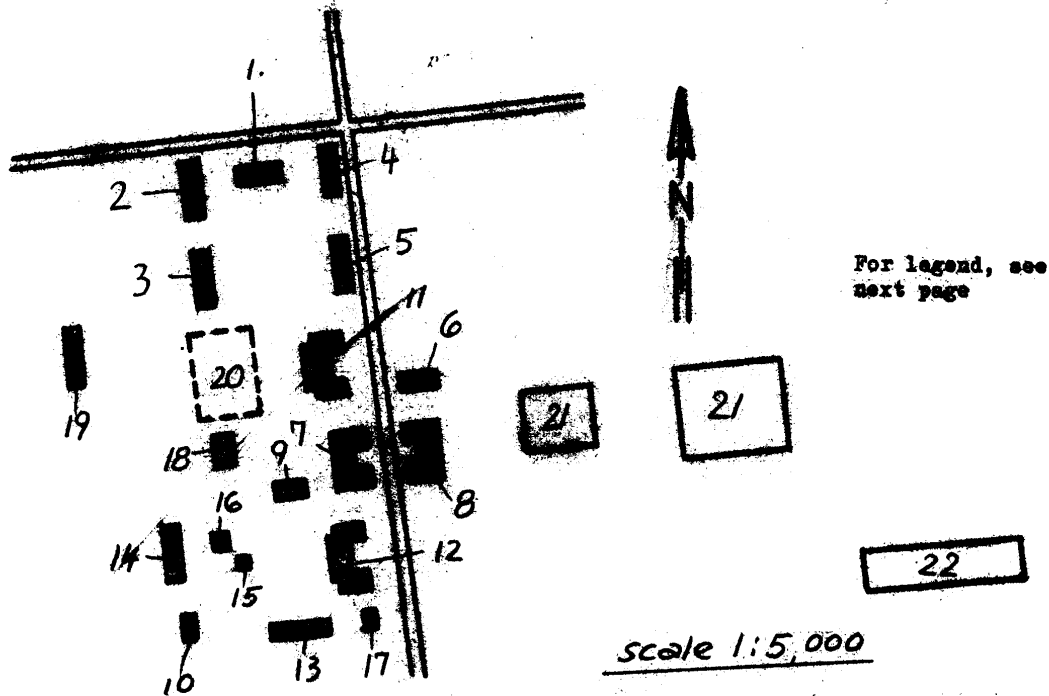
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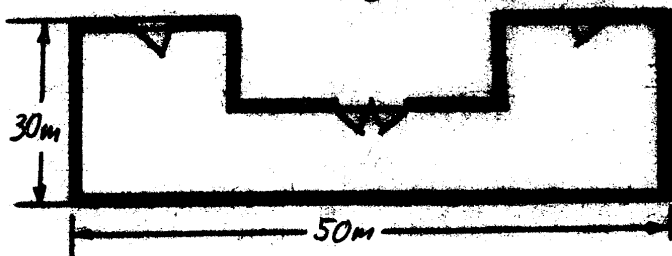
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Sketch No. 2

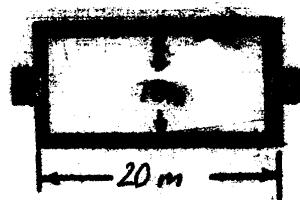
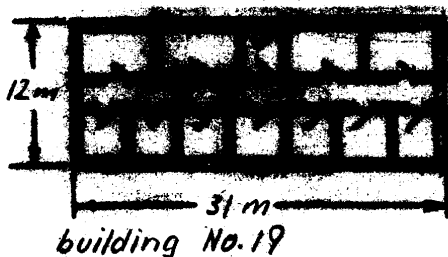
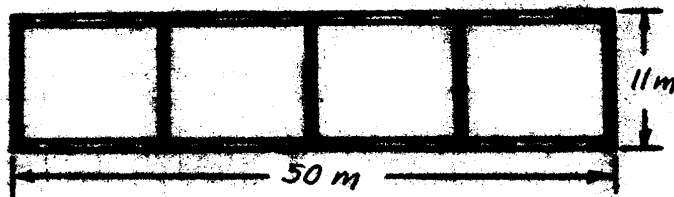
Ground Plans of Major Buildings
Buildings 7 and 8



building No. 16



buildings No. 13 and 14



buildings No. 9 and 10

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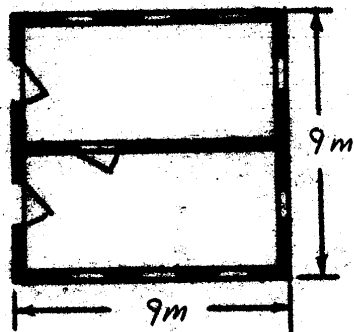
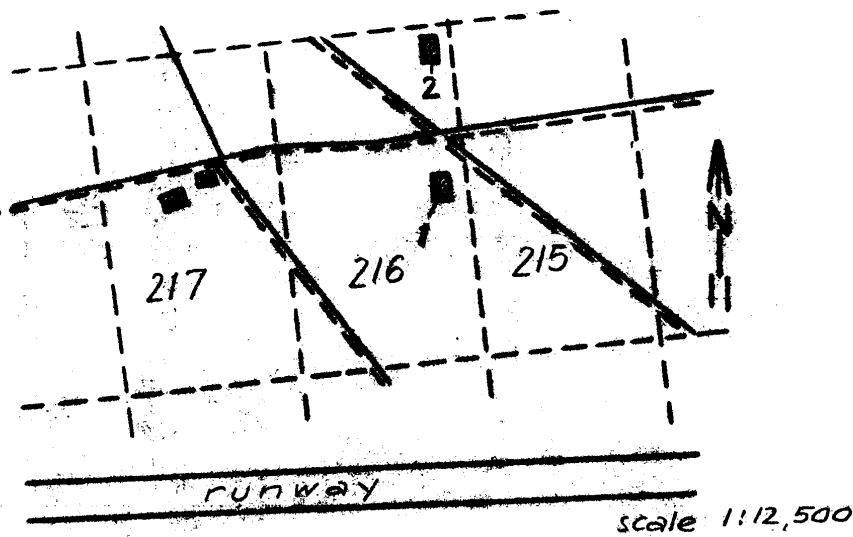
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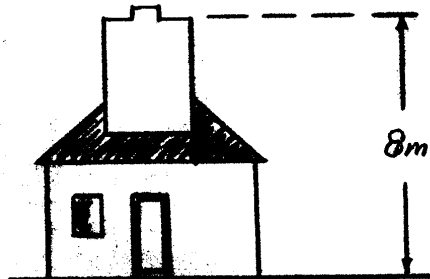
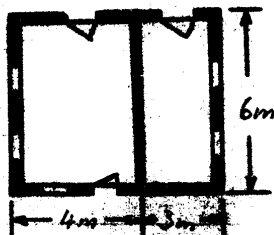
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Location Sketch of Runway and Buildings North of It



Building No. 1.

Building No. 2



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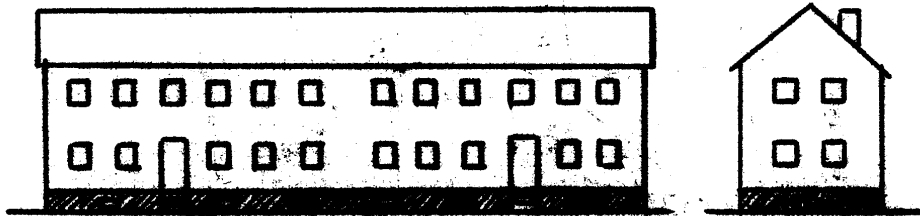
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Front View and Side View of Wooden Buildings in Forest Districts

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Nos. 94 and 95

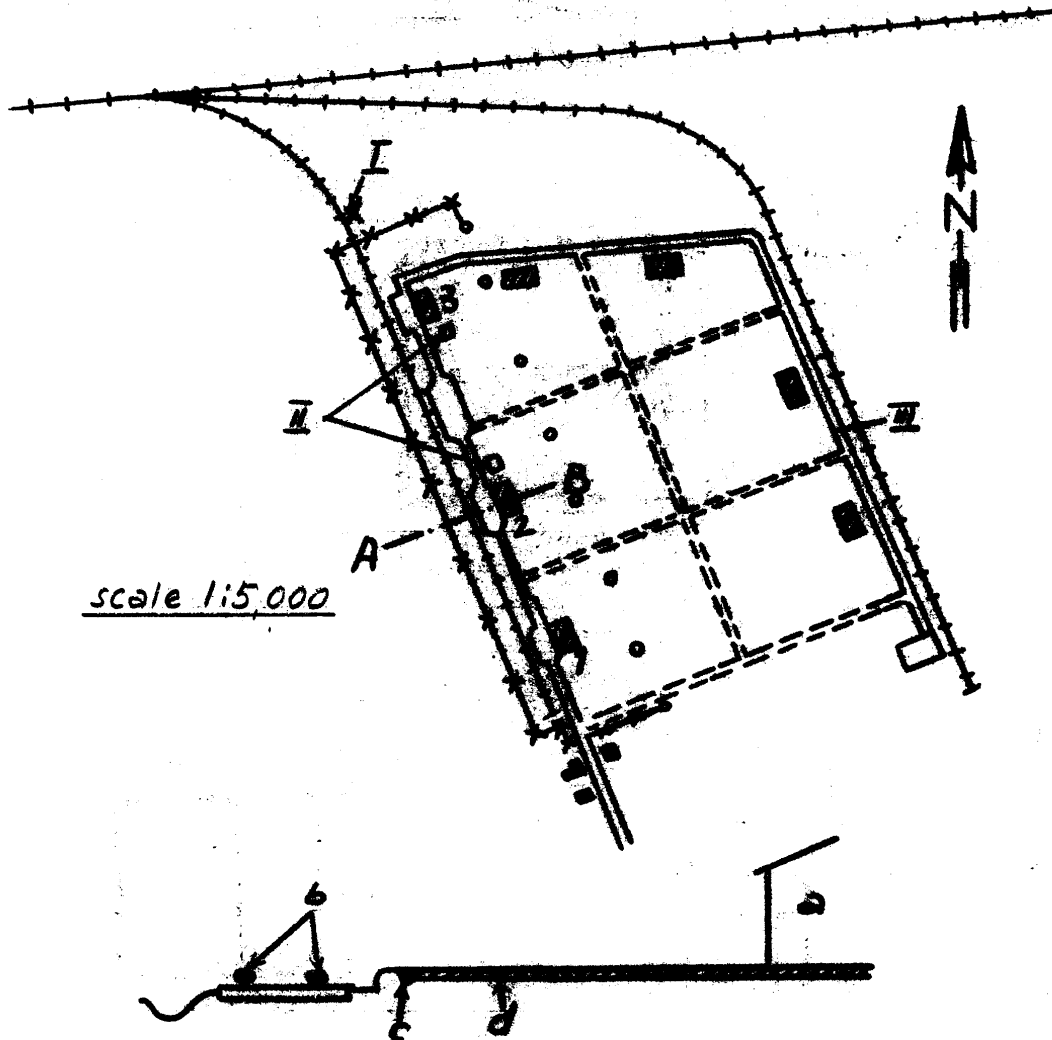


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Location Sketch of Ammunition Depot

Depot



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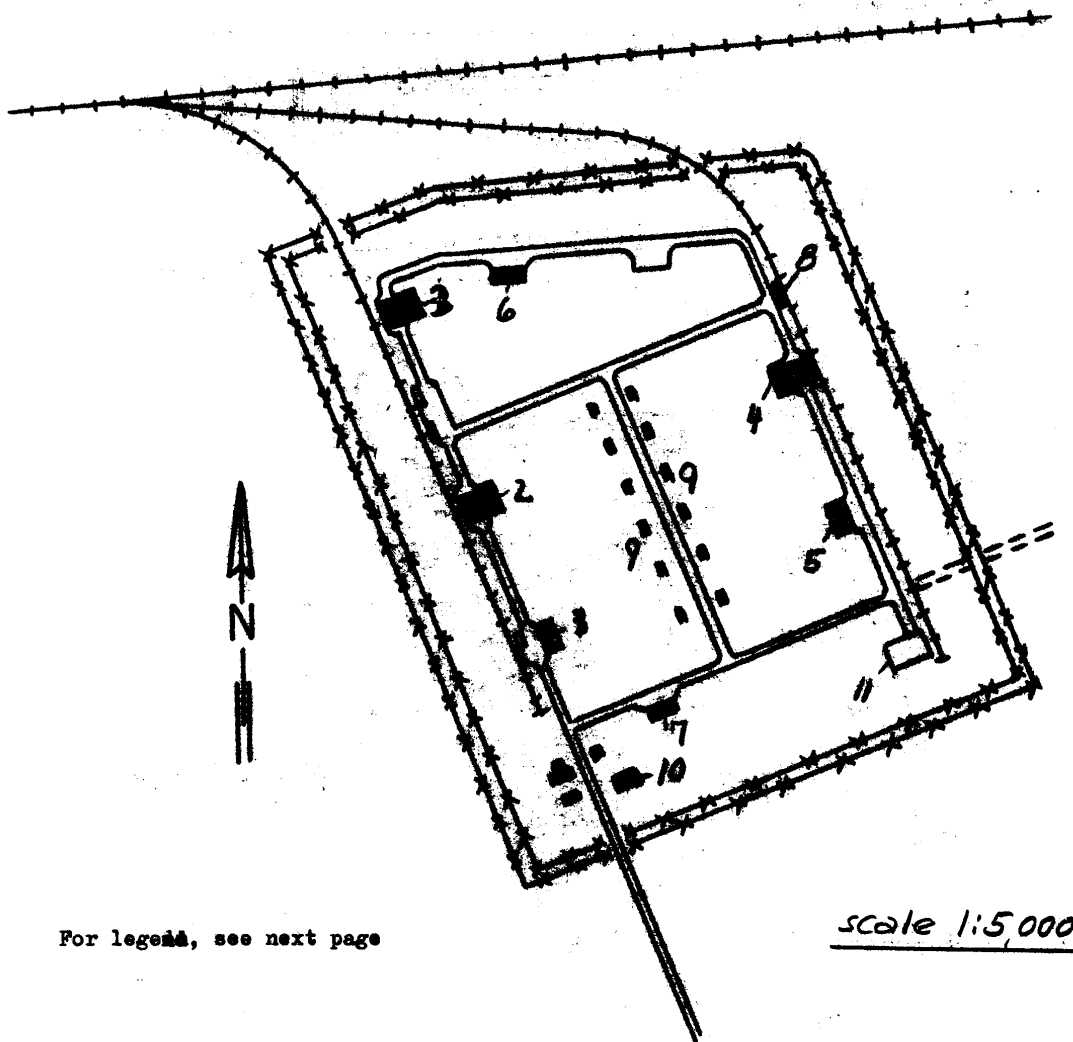
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Layout Sketch of Ammunition Depot



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